AMENDMENTS

In the Claims

The following is a marked-up version of the claims with the language that is underlined ("___") being added and the language that contains strikethrough ("——") being deleted:

1. – 20. (Canceled)

21.   (Currently Amended) A method to make a reply call to a voice mail message, comprising:

receiving a communication request from a voicemail server, the communication request resulting from a subscriber accessing, from an accessing number, a voicemail message created by a caller via the voicemail ~~server~~ server, the voicemail message accessed from a plurality of voicemail messages, further resulting from the voicemail server presenting the user with the plurality of voicemail messages, further resulting from, after presentation of the plurality of voicemail messages, providing a user prompt for a user to indicate which of the plurality of voicemail messages to connect, and further resulting from the subscriber indicating the voicemail message from the plurality of presented voicemail messages for connecting the subscriber with the caller;

connecting a communication between the subscriber and the caller without utilization of the voicemail server, wherein connecting a communication between the subscriber and the caller includes routing the communication through a directory number associated with the subscriber, such that the communication appears to originate from the directory number associated with the subscriber to facilitate creation of a billing record entry associated with the directory number, the directory number being different than the accessing number;

receiving a dual tone multi frequency (DTMF) signal from the subscriber;

determining whether the received DTMF signal indicates a desire to reconnect the subscriber with the voicemail server; and

in response to determining that the received DTMF signal indicates a desire to reconnect the subscriber with the voicemail server, reconnecting the subscriber with the voicemail server.

22.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 21, wherein connecting the subscriber and the caller without utilization of the voicemail server includes receiving a release message from the voicemail ~~server.~~ server, and wherein the release message includes a remote operation (RO) parameter including a reply telephone number for connecting the caller and the subscriber and an identifier communication.

23.   (Canceled)

24.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 22, wherein the release message includes a GR-1129 message.

25.   (Canceled)

26.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, wherein routing the communication to a directory number associated with the subscriber includes utilizing an Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) User Part (ISUP) message.

27.   (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, further comprising facilitating termination of the communication at an Intelligent Network Element (INE).

28.   (Currently Amended) A system for making a reply call to a voice mail message, comprising:

a receiving component configured to receive a communication request from a voicemail server, the communication request resulting from a subscriber accessing, from an accessing number, a plurality of voicemail ~~message~~ messages, at least one of the messages created by a caller via the voicemail ~~server~~ server, further resulting from, after presentation of the plurality of voicemail messages, providing a user prompt for a user to indicate which of the plurality of voicemail messages to connect, and further resulting from the subscriber sending a command to connect the subscriber with the caller;

a connecting component configured to facilitate a communication between the subscriber and the caller without utilization of the voicemail server, wherein facilitating a communication between the subscriber and the caller includes routing the communication through a directory number associated with the subscriber, such that the communication appears to originate from the directory number associated with the subscriber to facilitate creation of a billing record entry associated with the directory number, the directory number being different than the accessing number; and

a reconnecting component configured to, receive a dual tone multi frequency (DTMF) signal from the subscriber, determine whether the received DTMF signal indicates a desire to reconnect the subscriber with the voicemail server, and in response to determining that the received DTMF signal indicates a desire to reconnect the subscriber with the voicemail server, reconnect the subscriber with the voicemail server.

29.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 28, wherein connecting the subscriber and the caller without utilization of the voicemail server includes receiving a release message from the voicemail server.

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30.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29, wherein the release message includes a remote operation (RO) parameter including a reply telephone number and an identifier for the communication.

31.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 29, wherein the release message includes a GR-1129 message.

32.   (Canceled)

33.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 28, wherein routing the communication to a directory number associated with the subscriber includes utilizing an Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) User Part (ISUP) message.

34.   (Previously Presented) The system of claim 28, further comprising a termination component configured to facilitate termination of the communication at an Intelligent Network Element (INE).

35.   (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium configured to facilitate initiation of a reply call to a voice mail message, comprising:

logic configured to receive a communication request from a voicemail server, the communication request resulting from a subscriber accessing, from an accessing number, a plurality of voicemail ~~message~~ messages, at least one of the messages created by a caller via the voicemail ~~server~~ server, further resulting from, after presentation of the plurality of voicemail messages, providing a user prompt for a user to indicate which of the plurality of voicemail messages to connect, and further resulting from the subscriber sending a command to connect the subscriber with the caller;

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logic configured to facilitate a communication between the subscriber and the caller without utilization of the voicemail server, wherein connecting a communication between the subscriber and the caller includes routing the communication through a directory number associated with the subscriber, such that the communication appears to originate from the directory number associated with the subscriber to facilitate creation of a billing record entry associated with the directory number, the directory number being different than the accessing number; and

logic configured to receive a dual tone multi frequency (DTMF) signal from the subscriber, determine whether the received DTMF signal indicates a desire to reconnect the subscriber with the voicemail server, and in response to determining that the received DTMF signal indicates a desire to reconnect the subscriber with the voicemail server, reconnect the subscriber with the voicemail server.

36.   (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of claim 35, wherein connecting the subscriber and the caller without utilization of the voicemail server includes receiving a release message from the voicemail server.

37.   (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of claim 36, wherein the release message includes a remote operation (RO) parameter including a reply telephone number and an identifier for the communication.

38.   (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of claim 36, wherein the release message includes a GR-1129 message.

39.   (Canceled)

40.   (Previously Presented) The computer readable medium of claim 35, wherein routing the communication to a directory number associated with the subscriber includes utilizing an Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) User Part (ISUP) message.

41.   (New) The method of claim 21, wherein the communication request is received from a communication device.